

Surah 77 Surah Mursalaat

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THE LINK BETWEEN SURAH MURSALAAT AND SURAH DAHAR

Surah Dahar explains how Allaah created man, so that people may understand easily the occurrence of resurrection. *Surah Mursalaat* goes further to explain what happens after resurrection i.e. rewards and punishment. The opening verses of the *Surah* contrasts gentle winds and destructive winds so that one may understand that on the Day of *Qiyaamah* Allaah's mercy will protect some people, whereas others will suffer His wrath and punishment.

A SUMMARY OF THE SURAH

The opening seven verses of the *Surah* cite the example of varying winds to depict the severity and ease to be experienced by different people on the Day of *Qiyaamah*. Verses 8 to 15 mention that, although the *Kuffaar* refuse to admit it in this world, they will be forced to concede the error of their beliefs on the Day of *Qiyaamah*, when they will have a clear perception of events. However, by then they will be in a terrible state.

“Have We not destroyed the former nations?... until the words...May misery be the lot of the rejecters on that day!” [verses 16 to 19]. In these verses, Allaah warns people that if they reject the message of *Towheed*, they stand to share the fate of many previous nations who were destroyed previously.

The first logical proof of *Qiyaamah* is mentioned in verses 20 to 23 where Allaah says that he can easily resurrect people just as He created them the first time. Thereafter, the second logical proof follows in verses 25 and 26, to be followed by the third and the fourth in verse 27. In these verses, Allaah relates how He created the earth to support animate as well as inanimate creatures. He placed the high mountains on earth and gave people sweet, palatable water to drink. Can people still be ungrateful to Him after this and reject His message? Allaah then describes *Jahannam* in verses 30 to 39 as a warning to those who refuse to submit to Him.

“Verily those with Taqwa shall be (enjoying themselves) in shade, springs... until the words...Thus do We reward those who do good” [verses 41 to 44]. These verses speak refer to the bounties that Allaah's righteous servants will receive in *Jannah*. In *Jannah*, they will enjoy springs of the most appetising drinks and any fruit they desire. The concluding five verses of the *Surah* condemn the *Kuffaar* for their obstinate behaviour.

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ
 سُبْحَانَ الْمُرْسَلِينَ وَهُوَ يَخْلُقُ أَيُّهَا الرُّسُلُ

In the name of Allaah, the Most Compassionate, the Most Merciful

وَالْمُرْسَلَاتِ عُرْفًا ۝

1. By the oath of those winds that are released to give benefit (to men such as those that fertilize plants and those that provide rain).

فَالْعَصْفِ عَصْفًا ۝

2. By the oath of those winds that blow extremely severely (causing serious damage).

وَالنُّشْرِتِ نَشْرًا ۝

3. By the oath of those winds that spread out the clouds (causing them to move together and to provide rain to places that most need it).

فَالْفُرْقَتِ فَرْقًا ۝

4. By the oath of those winds that separate the clouds (causing them to scatter and not to give any rain).

فَالْمُلْقِيَتِ ذِكْرًا ۝

5. By the oath of those winds that induce remembrance (of Allaah)...

عُذْرًا أَوْ نَذْرًا ۝

6. ...either (inspiring) repentance or caution. (While beneficial winds are a sign of Allaah's mercy and prompt man to be grateful to Allaah, destructive winds instil fear in man's heart and prompt him to repent to Allaah so that he may be saved from punishment.)

إِنَّمَا تُوعَدُونَ لَوَاقِعٌ ۝

7. Verily what you have been warned about (Qiyaamah) shall certainly take place. (without fail)

فَإِذَا النُّجُومُ طُمِسَتْ ۝٨

8. So (you will know that Qiyaamah has arrived) when the light of the stars will be obliterated (extinguished)...

وَإِذَا السَّمَاءُ فُجِّرَتْ ۝٩

9. ...when the sky will be split (open up)...

وَإِذَا الْجِبَالُ سُفَّتْ ۝١٠

10. ...when mountains will fly (move) about (tossed into the air by the violent convulsions of the earth) ...

وَإِذَا الرُّسُلُ أُقِيتَتْ ۝١١

11. ...and when the Rusul (with their people) will be gathered (together) for an appointed time (with their followers).

إِلَّا يَوْمَ أُجِّلَتْ ۝١٢

12. For which day shall their matter (the punishment of the Kuffaar) be postponed (delayed)?

لِيَوْمِ الْفَصْلِ ۝١٣

13. For the Day of Judgement.

وَمَا آدُرُّكَ مَا يَوْمُ الْفَصْلِ ۝١٤

14. What will tell you what is the Day of Judgement (Decision)?

وَيْلٌ يَوْمَئِذٍ لِلْمُكَذِّبِينَ ۝١٥

15. May misery be the end of the rejecters on that day (the Day of Qiyaamah)!

أَلَمْ نُهْلِكِ الْأَوَّلِينَ ۝١٦

16. Have We not destroyed the former nations...

ثُمَّ نَتَّبِعُهُمُ الْآخَرِينَ ﴿١٧﴾

17. ...and then joined the later generations with them (by destroying them as well) ?

كَذَلِكَ نَفْعَلُ بِالْمُجْرِمِينَ ﴿١٨﴾

18. Thus do We treat the criminals (the Kuffaar). (Therefore, all Kuffaar should fear being punished in the world.)

وَيْلٌ يَوْمَذِِلِّ الْمُكَذِّبِينَ ﴿١٩﴾

19. May misery be the end of the rejecters on that day!

أَلَمْ نَخْلُقْكُمْ مِنْ مَّاءٍ مَّهِينٍ ﴿٢٠﴾

20. Have We not created you (man) from despised (inferior) water (semen)...

فَجَعَلْنَاهُ فِي قَرَارٍ مَّكِينٍ ﴿٢١﴾

21. ...placed it (the sperm) in a safe place (the womb)...

إِلَىٰ قَدَرٍ مَّعْلُومٍ ﴿٢٢﴾

22. ...for a specified (appointed) period (of approximately nine months)...

فَقَدَرْنَا ۖ فَنِعْمَ الْقَادِرُونَ ﴿٢٣﴾

23. ...and arranged (everything to perfection) ? We are certainly the best of those who make arrangements.

وَيْلٌ يَوْمَذِِلِّ الْمُكَذِّبِينَ ﴿٢٤﴾

24. May misery be the end of the rejecters on that day!

أَلَمْ يَجْعَلِ الْأَرْضَ كِفَاتًا ﴿٢٥﴾

25. Have We not made the earth consist of...

أَحْيَاءَ وَأَمْوَاتًا ۝٢٦

26. ...both the living and the dead? *(Just as the surface of the earth provides space for of the living, the interior of the earth provides a place of rest for the dead as well.)*

وَجَعَلْنَا فِيهَا رَوَاسِيَ شِمَخٍ وَأَسْقَيْنَاكُمْ مَاءً فُرَاتًا ۝٢٧

27. And *(have We not)* placed towering *(high)* mountains on it *(on the earth to give it stability)* and *(have We not)* given you palatable *(sweet)* water to drink? *(Despite all these blessings, why do you continue to be ungrateful by disobeying Our commands?)*

وَيَلْ يَوْمَئِذٍ لِّلْمُكَذِّبِينَ ۝٢٨

28. May misery be the end of the rejecters on that day!

إِنظِرُوا إِلَى مَا كُنتُمْ بِهِ تُكَذِّبُونَ ۝٢٩

29. *(The Kuffaar will be told on the Day of Qiyaamah,)* “Proceed towards that *(fire of Jahannam)* which you used to deny *(in the world) !*”

إِنظِرُوا إِلَىٰ ذِي ظِلٍّ ذِي ثَلَاثِ شُعَبٍ ۝٣٠

30. “Proceed towards the canopy of *(smoke, which is so dense that it will rise and divide into)* three parts...”

لَّا ظِلُّلٌ وَلَا يُعْنِي مِنَ الْلَّهَبِ ۝٣١

31. “...which will neither provide *(comforting)* shade nor offer any protection from the flames.”

إِنَّهَا تُرْمَىٰ بِشَرِمٍ كَالْقَصْرِ ۝٣٢

32. Indeed, it *(Jahannam)* throws sparks as huge as palaces...

كَأَنَّهُ جُمِلَتِ صُفُرٌ ۝٣٣

33. ...*(after which these enormous sparks break up into smaller sparks)* resembling pitch black camels. *(When the sparks of Jahannam will be so huge, one cannot imagine the size of the whole of Jahannam itself.)*

وَيْلٌ يَوْمَئِذٍ لِلْمُكَذِّبِينَ ﴿٣٤﴾

34. May misery be the end of the rejecters on that day!

هَذَا يَوْمُ لَا يَنْطِقُونَ ﴿٣٥﴾

35. This is that day when they (the Kuffaar and sinners) will be unable to speak (because their mouths will be sealed and their limbs will start giving evidence against them)...

وَلَا يُؤْذَنُ لَهُمْ فَيَعْتَذِرُونَ ﴿٣٦﴾

36. ...and (after the testimony of their limbs) they will not be permitted to offer any excuses (repentance).

وَيْلٌ يَوْمَئِذٍ لِلْمُكَذِّبِينَ ﴿٣٧﴾

37. May misery be the end of the rejecters on that day!

هَذَا يَوْمُ الْفَصْلِ جَمَعْنَاكُمْ وَالْأَوَّلِينَ ﴿٣٨﴾

38. (It will be announced on that day,) "This is that Day of Judgement. We have gathered you together with the former nations."

فَإِنْ كَانَ لَكُمْ كَيْدٌ فَكِدُونِ ﴿٣٩﴾

39. "So if you have any plot (against me), use it against Me!" (nothing you do will help you at all.)

وَيْلٌ يَوْمَئِذٍ لِلْمُكَذِّبِينَ ﴿٤٠﴾

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40. May misery be the end of the rejecters on that day!

إِنَّ الْمُتَّقِينَ فِي ظِلِّ وَعُيُونِ ﴿٤١﴾

41. Verily those with Taqwa shall be (enjoying themselves) in shades (of Allaah's throne on the Day of Qiyaamah and thereafter the shade of Jannah), springs...

وَفَوَاكِهَ مِمَّا يَشْتَهُونَ ﴿٤٢﴾

42. ...and the fruit of their choice.

كُلُوا وَاشْرَبُوا هَنِيئًا بِمَا كُنْتُمْ تَعْمَلُونَ ﴿٤٣﴾

43. (They will be told,) “Eat and drink all blessings as reward for the deeds you carried out (in the world).”

إِنَّا كَذَلِكَ نَجْزِي الْمُحْسِنِينَ ﴿٤٤﴾

44. Thus do We reward those who do good.

وَيْلٌ يَوْمَئِذٍ لِلْمُكَذِّبِينَ ﴿٤٥﴾

45. May misery be the end of the rejecters on that day!

كُلُوا وَتَمَتَّعُوا قَلِيلًا إِنَّكُمْ مُّجْرِمُونَ ﴿٤٦﴾

46. (Addressing the Kuffaar of this world, Allaah says,) “Eat and enjoy yourselves for a few days. You are certainly sinners (and will soon be punished).”

وَيْلٌ يَوْمَئِذٍ لِلْمُكَذِّبِينَ ﴿٤٧﴾

47. May misery be the end of the rejecters on that day!

وَإِذَا قِيلَ لَهُمُ ارْكَعُوا لَا يَرْكَعُونَ ﴿٤٨﴾

48. When they (the Kuffaar) are told to bow (to submit to Allaah's orders and to make Ruku in salaah), they do not bow.

وَيْلٌ يَوْمَئِذٍ لِلْمُكَذِّبِينَ ﴿٤٩﴾

49. May misery be the end of the rejecters on that day!

فَبِأَيِّ حَدِيثٍ بَعْدَهُ يُؤْمِنُونَ ﴿٥٠﴾

50. So what will they believe in after (rejecting) the Qur'aan? (When the Kuffaar refuse to believe in the miracle of the Qur'aan, which is so clear, one cannot expect them to believe in anything else.)

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